

I. Meeting called into order at 6:05 PM.

II. Rules Quiz – True or False

Shane Risner

- a. The signal for near-fall is touching the near shoulder then extended the points in the air.
Answer: **False**
- b. 2 piece wrestling uniform is approved for Junior Varsity competition. Answer: **False**
- c. Double knotting your shoelaces are an acceptable way of securing your laces: **False**
- d. Wrestler A in penalized for 2 illegal moves in the first period and penalized stalling twice in the third period, at the next restart Wrestler B doesn't get his choice on the starting position due to not all of the penalties being stalling. Answer: **False**
- e. Wrestler A is leading the match 7-6. Wrestler A shoots a takedown and picks wrestler B high in the air, with two seconds remaining. Wrestler A forcefully drops Wrestler B to the mat after time expires in manner of an illegal slam. Since time expires before the wrestler hit the mat that match would be over and Wrestler A would be penalized an unsportsmanlike penalty, resulting in a team point deduction. Answer: **False**

III. Welcome

Sam Davis

- a. Introductions of members.
- b. Introduction of our group and who we are.
- c. Overview of the agenda.
 - a. Rule changes.
 - b. Website overview.
 - c. Review of Executive Board meeting
 - d. Arbiter information
 - e. Venue options for the next few meeting

IV. Website Information

Shane Risner

- A. Located at www.lansingwrestlingofficialsassociation.com.
- B. Where to locate the Bylaws.
- C. Went over the contents and how to use the website.
- D. Other helpful websites are out there to visit and look at.

V. Review of Executive Board Meeting

Sam Davis

- a. Minutes posted on the website.
- b. When there is confusion about situations either with yourself or multiples please email those questions to LWOA Secretary, Cameron Rodgers, at cameronr86@yahoo.com. We will put the answer in writing back to the members.
- c. Membership in good standing, there will be enhancements going forward.
- d. The required points to be a member in good standing is 1 more than half, or 3 points. Meetings are held in October, November, December, January, and our LWOA clinic.
- e. Members can attend other associations meeting. However, to receive the credit an email from the association board member, has to be sent to the assignor.
- f. It is expected that members will attend the full meeting. If life happens, and things change contact needs to be made to one of the board members.
- g. To get assignments must be registered.

- h. It was discussed to look at having an early registration and earlier assignments.
 - i. Mike Gannon made a motion to allow the executive board to explore and draft a document the option of collecting membership dues collected by July 1st of that year and assessing a late fee if not received by that date. With this, assignments will be released by September 1st of that year. The motion was second by Paul Anderson.
 - ii. Shane will send out a survey monkey to figure out what the membership wants as a late fee.
 - iii. The secretary will be responsible for a confirmation and receipt of payment.

VI. Preparing for the season

Shane Risner

- a. Words and actions must match.
- b. Contact school administration.
- c. Be professional on and off the mat.
- d. Have pre-meet meeting with both coaches and wrestlers.
- e. Handle conflicts in a professional manner.
- f. Keep calendars up to date and accept the assignments.
- g. Be humble.
- h. Communication with scorers, timers, and table help.
- i. Never sell out your partner.
- j. Pass on your knowledge.

VII. Arbiter review

Lee Rodgers

- a. Did a quick review of the by-laws.
- b. Officials are independent contractors. Once a contract is assigned the contract can't be pulled unless it is replaced. However, as our by-laws indicate assignor can elect to not assign you any further contracts due to disciplinary reasons. The schools can request the assignor not to send certain officials to their venues. As our by-laws indicate you have to be a member in good standing.
- c. How to sign in.
- d. Block dates.
- e. Contact site administration and the assignor 48 hours in advanced to confirm.
- f. Keep calendar up to date through the year.
- g. How to find officials contact information.
- h. Only the assignor can replace your assignment. In the event of an emergency contact the assignor by phone.

VIII. Rule Changes for 2016-2017

Shane Risner / Sam Davis

- a. No major changes.
- b. Shoelaces must be either taped or secured by the Velcro attached to the shoe.
- c. It is now to be called potential dangerous the minute the bottom wrestler is lifted off the mat when his arm is trapped **and wrestling is to be stopped.**

IX. Announcements

- a. Next meeting is November 13th at 6 pm at DeWitt High School, and we will be on the mat. Check the web site for more information about anything else.
- b. The December meeting will either be back at the High School or the MHSAA building.
- c. The Bill Allen/LWOA clinic is scheduled for 12/3 at DeWitt High School.

X. Members in attendance

Cameron Rodgers
Sam Davis
Shane Risner
Bill Allen
Steve Gross
Jim Neimiec
Bob Stinson
Kevin Piggott
Adam Hall
Chuck Barrett
Gary Wilson
Jason Schell
Ken Buckland
Doug Weeks
Jerry Miller

Maurice Canada
Trevor Wawiernia
Ryan Wilkinson
Kyle Granger
Paul Anderson
Jacob Wyatt
Robert Allen
Jeff Oswald
Mike Gannon
Brent Moeggenborg
Mark Buckland
Greg Almy
Matt Prinz
Kahlib Morris
David Putz

Nicholas Ballinger
Mike Conine
Lee Rodgers